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## Consolidated Schools a Live Topic in Irma

A large and enthusiastic audience turned out in the Irma District on Wednesday evening, May 1st to listen to an address on the question of Consolidated Schools, the school districts surrounding were well represented. A Committee was formed and at no distant date a vote will be taken on this question in the Irma District.

The Chairman of the meeting, Rev. Mr. Hockins introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. F. Parks who is the assistant to R. A. Barron the Supervisor of Consolidated Schools for the Province of Alberta. Mr. Parks held the attention of the audience for over an hour and many valuable points were brought out during the discussion showing plainly the advantages of a Consolidated School to the Rural Communities.

The speaker said he was delighted to see such a large gathering of ladies in the meeting as they no doubt were heartily in favor of Consolidation and could readily see the advantages in the health and educational welfare of the children more quickly than the men. It was pointed out that while universities, normal schools and high schools were making marvelous progress, yet the one institution that was merely marking time was the Rural School and the fact remains that there are masses of our children in the Rural districts that have no opportunity of receiving a sound secondary education without having to leave home for the purpose of obtaining it.

Methods of business have changed and competition is so much keener that the boys and girls of to-day have much greater problems to face than that of their parents. Everything relative to the farm has improved and hence it is highly essential that farmer's children should receive an education—that will fit them properly to carry on the work of the future, if proper education is not provided these children are going to drift into other callings, consequently they will leave the home and the farm, this will surely sap the vitality from the farming districts. Under Consolidation there is the remedy.

The Department of education favors consolidation and the Minister of Education is a strong enthusiast, yet a district is never organized unless conditions all point to its being a success in that particular district. Consequently no district need fear that they are going to be called upon to pay for an experiment. It is past the experimental stage, it is a clean cut business proposition and has been thoroughly tried and found not wanting. There are over fifty schools working under consolidation in the Province at present and it is aimed to have 100 by the end of this year.

The question is often asked why do we consider Consolidation necessary. This might be dealt with under eight headings.

First: Proper Grading. It is necessary on account of the weakness of the one-roomed country school; there is the weakness of the small enrollment and the weakness of the too large enrollment. In the school with the small enrollment there is no competitive element, there is nothing for the child to measure up to, but put that child in a class with ten or fifteen of his own grade he will both take and give impressions, it will broaden his vision. In the class with the large enrollment the teacher has under her care 30 or 40 pupils of all grades and it is a physical impossibility for a teacher to cover the

class in the small time of the school day.

Second: A better classification of teachers may be arrived at. Some teachers prefer the lower grades, others the advanced class, the consequence is that the one roomed school the teacher will naturally follow her own inclinations and gives more time and attention to the portion of the work she likes best, this, of course, to the detriment of the other portion of the class. In a consolidated school a teacher can be chosen best fitted for the vacancy that occurs in the school.

Third: A better distribution of the work can be arranged, if there are a number of pupils for each grade more time can be given by the teacher for recitation or listening to pupils of their own class recite.

Fourth: The average attendance is better, right in the Irma district only 50% of the children are taking advantage of the Rural education as provided to-day. Under consolidation there is a keener interest displayed in school work and children are anxious to attend school.

Fifth: One of the advantages of consolidated schools is that the farmer's children will have the same advantages of obtaining high school training without having to leave their home to go to the nearby town or city where high school work is being taught, this often times at the very tender years of a child's life when they need the most careful parental care and guidance.

Sixth: Vocational training may be taken up, in the rural schools very little can be dealt with outside of the "3 Rs" under the new system household science and agriculture may be taught, also music, drawing and manual training.

Seven: The socializing influences of the consolidated school can hardly be estimated. There is a disappearance of much of the shyness and bashfulness, often particularly noticeable in the country child. They have a greater number to mix with, and with increased number there is the healthy inspiring school spirit with sufficient pupils to engage in all kinds of school sports, thus building up a rugged and manly character.

Eighth: Consolidation plays an important part in assimilating the different nationalities in our country the educating of all the different races of our boys and girls all in common the strength of manhood and womanhood will be wonderfully increased.

It was also pointed out that Consolidation released numbers of teachers for the urgent work in the newer rural districts.

The matter of transportation was thoroughly discussed. The van passes along a given route each day, in the winter it is comfortably heated and thus permits the child to arrive at school in a perfectly warm and dry condition and more able to enter into the studies of the day.

The matter of cost was estimated to be in many cases below that of the one roomed school, but where the cost was greater it was only small compared to the many advantages to be gained with the increased educational facilities provided under consolidation. Money spent on the education of the young people to-day is money well spent, it is the young that will have to shoulder the great burden of the calamity that has befallen the world, and it is only fair that they be given every educational advantage so when the time comes they

## U. F. A. President Urges Members to Support Y.M.C.A.

To the members of the U.F.A., U.F.W.A. and U.G.G.

On May 7th, 8th and 9th the Y.M.C.A. will put on a dominion wide campaign, for what they term the "RED TRIANGLE FUND" for war purposes. This is to be used by the Y.M.C.A. for carrying on their work among the sailors and soldiers. Their objective for Canada is two and a half million dollars, of which Alberta's allotted share is one hundred and fifty thousand.

We have heard many reports of the work being done among our soldiers by this organization and are sure it has not been properly appreciated by us. They help our boys when in need of entertainment or instruction. They help them when hungry or wounded. Above all they help them past many mortal pitfalls. In fact they are doing a good work, an exceedingly good work, which has never been done by any other organization, and we should help the good cause by contributing liberally of our means.

We hope the Secretaries will call this matter to the attention of the Locals and take steps to assist in raising Alberta's allotment. Part of the money raised in the cities will go to local work, but every dollar raised outside of the cities will go to the war fund.

Respectfully,  
President U.F.A. H.W. Wood  
President U.F.W.A. Mrs. W.H. Parlyb  
First Vice-Pres. U.G.G. Ltd. C. Rice-Jones.

## Shall We Hold a Fair This Year?

An important meeting of the directors will be held in Swift's Cream Station, Irma on Wednesday May 15th at 2.30 P.M., to consider the advisability of holding the annual fair this year. There is a feeling among some of the members that taking into consideration the serious war features and consequently the shortage of labor on the farms that the fair should not be held as usual this year. We understand from the Department of Agriculture that a good many of the societies are not holding their fairs. It is hoped that all the directors will endeavor to attend so that the matter may be fully discussed and decided in the best interest of the society and members.

F. W. Watkinson, Sec.-Treas.

## Meeting Held For Military Y.M.C.A.

Mr. G. Sheane, principal of the school at Tofteld gave a very able address Sunday afternoon in aid of the Y. M. C. A. Campaign. Mr. Stickle of Camrose was advertised to speak but was incapacitated at the last minute.

Mr. Sheane has had considerable experience in Y work at the University of Alberta and other places and gave a good description of the work done by the Y among the soldiers at the front and in camps.

will be fully prepared to take their place and become efficient and useful citizens.

At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was rendered the speaker and a committee elected to go into the matter of taking a vote at an early date.

## Several Important Points in Hatching Good Chickens

During the hatching season the poultry house and particularly the nest should be kept clean. Clean water and a supply of whole grain should be accessible to the sitters and a dust bath should be provided also. If more than one hatch is being taken off, clean out and disinfect the nest after each hatch and put a new good and fresh litter. Dust the hen with insect powder before putting her in the nest and again a day or two before leaving the nest with the chickens. It is a good plan to put in the dust bath a little dry sulphur or ground tobacco.

Be sure also that the house is free from mites. These little pests get into the cracks and corners of the building and at night, as the hens are resting, they come out of their hiding place, get on the hen's body and it does not take very many of them to make a hen so uneasy that she cannot sit. In some cases the mites become so troublesome that they actually worry the hens to death.

### HOW TO GET RID OF MITES

Clean out the house and thoroughly sweep, not forgetting the windows, wall and ceiling. When this is all swept out clean, use a garden hose or a brush and hot water. See that everything in the cracks and crevices is washed out. After this is done allow the house to dry for a while and if everything, then appears to be clean, use a good disinfectant and be sure that the solution is forced by the spray or brush right into the crack and crevices. If the mites are bad, use boiling hot water followed by coal-oil and a liquid lice killer or lice paint. Be sure that this goes into the cracks and crevices and when you have gone over your house thoroughly according to the above treatment, in all probability the mites will be exterminated, but it is advisable in the course of three or four days again to inspect for the mites and perhaps to repeat the dose once more.

## Food Hoarders Will Get Their's

OTTAWA, April 26.—The Canada Food Board today issued an order strictly limiting holding of sugar by persons other than cane sugar manufacturers, providing for seizure of sugar held in excess of the quantities prescribed under the order, and making a violation of the order an offence subject to penalties which shall not be less than \$100 and may run as high as \$1,000, or to imprisonment for a period up to three months or both fine and imprisonment.

The order states that no person other than a manufacturer of cane sugar shall have in his possession, or under his control, at any one time, more cane sugar than is sufficient for his ordinary requirements for 15 days, except persons living at a greater distance than two miles from a dealer licensed by the Canada Food Board, manufacturers licensed by the Canada Food Board and using cane sugar in the manufacture of their products and licensed wholesale and retail dealers.

### Called to the Colors.

The following we believe have received orders to report for duty at Calgary:

L. V. King, Carl Burr, A. Long, C. Wilbraham, F. West, Tedd Barrett and Geo. Reid.



# Victoria Day Celebration

under the auspices of

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Friday May 24

Baseball Games  
Athletic Sports of  
All Kinds  
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Admittance to Grounds 25c  
Children under 15 Free

Dance at night

Gents - \$1.00 Ladies Free

Committee

E. T. McDowell, R. J. Tate, J. F. Mildon,  
H. L. McElrath and W. M. Reese

God Save The King

Jack—Well, y' see, mum, we can't spare enough divers to walk about the bottom of the sea and count 'em. —Passing Show.





## Boots and Shoes

There is not the least doubt but that we have the largest and most varied stock of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes in Northern Alberta. Ask to see some of the lines and be convinced.

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Call and see our large stock of Fine Shirts in all the latest patterns and stripes.

Prices from \$1.00 up.

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Cotton Hose in Black, White, Tan from 20 cents. Cashmere and Silk Hose from 60 cents per pair up. Common Work Socks from 25c to 60c per pair.

## Men's Pants

Over 100 pairs of men's pants to choose from. Ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$6.50 per pair

## Gloves

Talk about gloves, that is where the Co-op shines in having the best of gloves on the market, the celebrated and guaranteed H.B.R. brand.

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Overalls for Boys, Youths and Men plain Blues, Blacks and Stripes, both in bib and pant overalls. Smocks to match, always a full stock on hand.

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## Buy a Suit

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Irma, Alberta

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IRMA CALGARY NANTON

## The Times

H. G. THUNELL, Publisher  
F. W. WATKINSON, Editor

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May 10, 1918.

## LOCAL NEWS OF IRMA & DISTRICT

Rhubarb roots at co-op 6 for 25c. W. H. Madden spent the week-end at Edmonton and Lacombe.

The Irma school children were all vaccinated after school Monday. Wm. Reed has enlisted in the Navy and left Edmonton on May 2 for the training ship.

The Edmonton Exhibition will be held from July 8th to 13th this year. Note the ad in this issue.

For a straight deal and spot cash in cream and eggs try F. W. Watkinson at Swifts Cream Station.

W. J. Barber and G. A. Siegson have returned after a weeks trip through the Stetler and Camrose district.

Little Miss Helen McDowell has the honor of getting the first Victory Bond sent to the Merchants' Bank.

W. H. Scott, Field Agent of the Department of Agriculture was in town Tuesday in connection with work of the Department.

Do not forget to insure that new automobile you have just bought. Call to see F. W. Watkinson about it at once.

W. A. Woodley has arrived from Chauvin with his tractor and plows. Mr. Woodley has purchased section 17-46-S and intends breaking all he can for crop next year.

The Irma Band had a practice Tuesday evening in the co-op hall. At the rate the boys are getting in line the band will be in good shape for the 24th.

Mr. S. C. Miles claims he intends purchasing three sections of land in the irrigation belt and start a rabbit farm. Any one having had experience should talk it over with Sid.

Wyatt & Peterson unloaded on Saturday, a 14-28 Oil-Pull Rumely tractor and a 24-46 Separator complete for H. Kasten. Mr. Kasten intends putting in a crop of over 400 acres of grain this year.

Mr. F. A. Yenlee of Calgary has purchased the SE 1/4 of Section 32-45-S from Mr. S. Miles and has moved on same. Mr. Miles has not fully decided what he will do but we hope he will find a new location in the district.

A full report of the result of the YMCA campaign will be given next week. The response so far as the collectors have been around has been good, and the Irma district we are sure will be able to collect all that has been expected.

Monday night several auto loads of IOOF members paid a visit to Hardisty Lodge. After Lodge closed the members of the Hardisty Rebekah Lodge served refreshments and helped entertain the visiting brothers. Hardisty Lodge has promised to have a baseball team here on the 24th to play a team of Irma Oddfellows.

The Times counts among its advertisers this week The Merchants Bank of Canada. Over two years ago this institution began a policy of retrenchment as to its advertising and took their ads out of nearly every publication in the Dominion. We are not able to say what effect this had on the bank, but it is of note that a special advertising department has been added to the organization and contracts made with every paper where there is a branch of the bank for a year in advance.

## Edmonton Fair July 8th to 13th

In another column will be found the announcement of the Edmonton Summer Exhibition, which will be held July 8-13.

Following the policy of the Association which proved so popular at the recent Edmonton Spring Show, of encouraging the children to take an active interest in farm work—a number of special classes for children have been included in the prize list, the boys and girls competing to be over nine and under seventeen years of age.

\$300 is offered for a pig raising contest, which calls for sow and litter farrowed this year; the litter the litter only will be judged, 20% for number in litter, 80% for quality, uniformity and condition. The children need not necessarily own the sows but must have cared for the sow and litter from May 15th to time of the exhibition, feeding and fitting them, and must personally exhibit them in the show ring. \$400 is offered for children's colt class, for foals of 1917; these may be purebred or grade, but must be sired by registered stallion. Two classes are offered—one each for light and heavy horses. As in the pig class, the children must assume complete charge of the colts on May 15th, and personally exhibit them.

\$110 is offered in a butter-making contest for boys and girls, and there are other numerous classes, including sewing, cooking, gardening, and school work.

The children have a chance to earn some money and at the same time increase their knowledge and experience by competing for these prizes. The prize list will be ready for distribution by the end of this week, and copies will be ready for distribution by the Manager, W. J. Stark, Edmonton.

## "Mother's Farewell"

The new song, "Mother's Farewell" by Mrs. W. E. Walker now on sale at the Co-Operative store, Irma, price 25c.

If you have a friend in another part of the country you would like to see located in the Irma district let us have his name and we will try to induce him to locate here.—Ransom Land Company.

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## WHO WILL AGAIN VISIT

IRMA, Thursday June 27  
VIKING, Friday, June 28  
VEGEBVILLE, Thursday, May 23  
INNISFREE, FRIDAY, May 31st

TERMS ARE MODERATE



Symptoms  
of  
Eye Strain

## Should be Examined

Many children are hampered in their studies by defective sight. Parents should ascertain whether glasses are necessary. It will be my pleasure to correctly inform them.

**Albert F. Brown**  
OPTOMETRIST

Irma, May 15th  
Viking, May 16th

## C. P. R. LANDS

### Buy that C.P.R.

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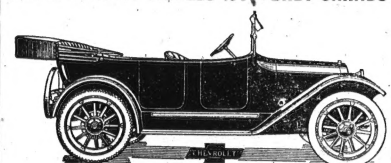
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**HARDY & DICKSON, Dealers**



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Seeding will soon be over. Are you prepared for the big rush in building. You may have all your building material but have you the man that puts building material in place the way it should be. If you have not and want it built the only way it should be, that is the right way

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Malcolm M. Cook, Violinist

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IRMA CO-OP  
Irma, Alta.

### ENJOY YOUR LONG EVENINGS

playing Tennis or Baseball

We carry a good line of Tennis Racquets and Tennis Balls also Baseballs, Bats and Mitts, come in and look them over at

Bassett's  
Drug Store

### IRMA'S NEW Barber Shop & Billiard Parlor

Is now open in the Building formerly occupied by the Co-Op's Gen'l. Furnishing Department

Everything New, Clean and Up-To-Date

Bert Stewart, Prop.

### VIKING

Ole Lund, village constable, is repairing the sidewalk and putting in new boards wherever needed.

John McLellan, formerly with the Steve Jones dray, reported for duty under the Military Service Act at Calgary on April 28th.

Serg. L. Scott, returned from the front suffering from shell shock, visited with his sister, Miss Lilian Scott, of the bank staff over Sunday.

S. L. Hall, of Vancouver, was a visitor at the C. G. Purvis home here over Sunday with his wife and young son who are at present guests of relatives and friends here.

D. G. Somerville, of the Viking Livery, went up to Edmonton Sunday evening. We understand that he will return with a new Gray-Dort.

J. W. Wynt, of Irma, passed through here Monday night from Edmonton with a new Maxwell car. L. R. Dayton was one of the passengers.

Mrs. J. E. Ash and children are spending the summer in Ontario. Mrs. Ash left for Ontario recently when she received word that her mother had died.

R. C. Thunell, formerly of the News staff, but now with the Royal Air Force "somewhere in Toronto" writes that he is now in the office of the Headquarters Staff, and his present duties are to help equip the new recruits that arrive.

Mrs. M. M. McLeod, wife of Capt. McLeod arrived from Ottawa last Sunday evening. During her stay in the east Mrs. McLeod has been employed in the Canadian War Records office, and she says her work has been most interesting.

There was a great rush for recruits for the R. N. W. M. P. last week. In fact in a short time they were overstrength and several applications for enlistment were cancelled. Among these was the editor of the News, so we are on the job as usual and will endeavor to get out a better paper than ever when we are able to secure more help in the office.

One of the highest prices ever secured for an ox in Alberta was paid on Friday at the Edmonton Stockyards when Mullins & Carruthers sold to the Western Cattle company a 2100 pound animal at 13 cents a pound. The price realized was \$351. The ox was raised at Viking, and one of the members of the purchasing firm is Mr. Spivik, the "boy cattle king" of Alberta.

The services at the Methodist church last Sunday evening were devoted to the campaign for funds for the Military Y.M.C.A. which is held all over Canada three days this week, May 7-8-9. Rev. Lund gave a clear outline of the work and needs of this patriotic organization and urged his hearers to support it to the limit when the canvassers call on them.

Among the boys who have received notice from the Registrar at Calgary to report for duty under the Military Service Act on May 21 are Ian Dickson, Lawrence Scott, Earl Lawes, Walter Watkins, Bobby Airth, Duncan Wemp, "Dad" Harris, P. Dillane and S. Swift. They all were affected by the recent ruling that all exemptions for those registered between the ages of 20 and 22 were cancelled. There may be others but we haven't heard of any more up to the time of going to press.

### Tenders for Grazing.

Irma Agricultural Society.

Invite Tenders for grazing (for horses only) on the Irma Agricultural ground for the year ending 31st December, 1918. The society reserves the right to use the ground for Fairs, Picnics, Meetings, Ball or other games. The directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. Tenders to be marked Tender to be delivered the Sec. Treas. on or before Saturday May 4th, 1918. Rent to be paid in advance.

F. W. Watkinson, Sec. Treas.

### Several Accidents.

Several accidents happened in our district last week.

The little girl of Mr. Hostrops, N. W. of Irma was trying to ride a horse on Sunday and fell off and dislocated her shoulder.

While assisting the boys with the seeding Mrs. W. E. Walker had the misfortune to sprain her ankle.

### POPULAR WANTS.

**FOR SALE**—Seed oats, Abundance variety. G.A. Green, Irma. Sutf.

**WANTED**—A few broody hens. Apply to F.W. Watkinson, Irma.

**WANTED**—Smart boy to work in store. H. W. Love, Irma.

**For Sale**—Second Hand Fanning Mill, cheap. H. W. Love, Irma.

**For Sale**—Registered Shorthorn Bull. H. W. Love, Irma.

**I have buyers** for several good quarter and half section farms. P. J. Hardy, Irma. 4tf

**WANTED**—to trade a yearling filly for good work horse. Apply F.W. Watkinson, Editor Times.

**For Sale**—50 bushels clean six-rowed Seed Barley. Apply A.A. Fischer, Irma. p

**FOR SALE**—Two good grade Hereford Bulls also two good work horses, 1 mare and 1 gelding. Apply Geo. Hill, 3249-9, Irma. 10 utf

**FOR SALE**—Sec. 1-17-9 on crop payments, also other steam plow mile long furrow land. Exclusive sales agent, E. T. McDowell. 12

**FOR SALE**—Hatching eggs from pure bred stock, practically all varieties, fertility guaranteed. H. A. Clute, Irma Alta. 14-utf

**LOST**—On Sunday April 28th, one mans red sweater and a boys coat on trail near P. J. Hardys Finner please leave at W. B. Petersons.—J. H. Peterson. -1tp

**LOST**—Black Colt 4 yrs old, brand F., wt about 1400, had halter on when last seen. A reward will be given for information leading to recovery. F. E. Bell, 24-46-10, Irma.

**STRAYED**—To my place SW 8-46-8, bay mare, 4 yr old, star forehead and inside half of left hind foot white. Shows shire breeding, wt about 1300. Black mare about 3 year old white narrow strip on face, 2 white hind feet, small white on right front foot, wt about 1000 lbs. Owner can have same by paying for ad. Jos. Mellroy.

### POOL ROOM AND BOWLING ALLEY REGULATIONS

NOTICE is hereby given that the following regulations have been duly made by the Lieutenant Governor in council:

1. Other than tobacco, no articles shall be sold or kept for sale on the licensed premises.

2. No business other than that covered by license shall be carried on in the premises.

3. No gambling or games of chance of any kind shall be allowed.

4. Outside windows shall not be obscured so as to in any degree prevent an uninterrupted view of the interior from the outside.

5. License may be suspended or revoked at any time without notice, where in the opinion of the Attorney General the Act and regulations are being disregarded.

6. Application for new license, renewal or transfer of license must be first approved of both as to character of applicant and suitability of premises, by the Mayor, Reeve or Chairman of the Board of Municipal District, or an Inspector of Provincial Police, or a Pool Room Inspector, and notice of such application published in a local newspaper once a week for at least two weeks.

Edmonton, Alberta, April 30th, 1918.

A. G. Browning,

Deputy Attorney General

### Ship Your Cream To The Northern Creameries

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

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cans belonging to the

Dairy in their possession

to return them to the

station for the purpose

of Stocktaking.

### IRMA MARKET

(Subject to change without notice)

Wheat—	
No. 1 Northern	201
No. 2 "	198
No. 3 "	195
No. 4 "	188
Oats—	
No. 2 CW	80
No. 1 feed, extra	77
Feed	76
Barley—	
No. 3	145
No. 4	140
Rye—	
No. 1	225
No. 2	220
Flax—	
No. 1 NW	360
No. 2 CW	357
No. 3 CW	337
Potatoes, per bus.	1.50
Butter, per lb.	40
Eggs, per doz.	35
Flour	5.75
Sugar	2.25
Beef cows, per lb.	4.8
Steers, per lb.	6.10
Mutton, per lb.	8
Hogs, per lb tops	184
Hay, per ton	6.00
Coal, per ton	5.00 to 6.50

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## GERMANY HAD THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PRESERVING WORLD PEACE

MORE REVELATIONS CONCERNING ENEMY'S GUILT

Memorandum of Prince Lichnowsky Shows That Germany Could Have Reached Agreement Acceptable to Great Britain, But Balked Efforts of Ambassador to London

Further sections of the memorandum which Prince Lichnowsky, German ambassador at London when the war began, wrote for the purpose of justifying his position to personal friends, are published by The Political, organ of the Extreme Left of the Socialists. In the preceding sections Prince Lichnowsky described his efforts to secure a better understanding between Germany and Britain after his appointment as ambassador to London in 1912, and how they were thwarted because of the persistence of the German foreign office in backing up the Austrian view on Eastern questions, the following out of which he felt would lead to a collision with Russia and a world war.

The new portions of the memorandum deal principally with the negotiations over the Anglo-German colonial treaty. Prince Lichnowsky remarks at the outset that the good relations he had established in London had effected a noticeable improvement in Germany's relations with Britain. Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign minister, had told himself honestly to this rapprochement, says the prince, and his intentions to this end were especially noticeable as regarded the colonial treaty and the Baghdad railway.

In 1908, continues Prince Lichnowsky, Count von Helldorf, German minister to Great Britain, signed a secret agreement with the British government dividing the Portuguese colonies in Africa into economic spheres of interest between Germany and Great Britain, insuring that the independence and independence of the Portuguese kingdom, and declaring the intention to support Portugal financially and economically. The agreement, therefore, he points out, did not clash with the old Anglo-Portuguese treaty dating from the reign of King John VI. Nevertheless, at the instigation of the Marquis de Soveral, Portuguese minister to Great Britain, a new Anglo-Portuguese treaty, signed at Windsor treaty, was signed in 1909, reinforcing the old treaty, the prince says.

The Anglo-German negotiations, which began before Prince Lichnowsky's arrival, were intended to secure the revision and improvement of the treaty of 1898, and, thanks to the accommodating attitude of the British government, Prince Lichnowsky says he was able to give the new treaty a form conforming to German wishes and interests.

"Sir Edward Grey," continues Prince Lichnowsky, "wished to show us good-will, and also in the main to further our colonial development while Great Britain also wished to lead the German development of power from the North Sea and Western Europe to the Atlantic and Africa. We do not grudge Germany her colonial development, a member of the cabinet said to me."

Prince Lichnowsky goes on to say that the treaty was practically in readiness in 1913, but that "new difficulties arose to prevent its signing and only a year later, shortly before the outbreak of the war, could I receive authority to conclude the treaty. It was, however," he adds, "never signed."

"Sir Edward Grey would only sign it on condition that the treaty be published, together with the 1898 and 1899 treaties. England has no secret treaties, and it was contrary to the existing principles to keep the treaty secret. Sir Edward could therefore conclude no treaty without publishing it."

Those who are trying to "Copenhagen" for the first time, should remember to use only a small quantity, and to place the pinch in the mouth between the lower lip and the gum, without any attempt at chewing it.

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## Russian Aviators Are Poor Fighters

From "El Asir," by Lieutenant Bert Hall, an American in the French Service

From one end of the eastern front to the other was chaos, everything and everybody. The French officers who had been here recently were downed, and in spots things were cleaned up, put in shape and organized to some extent. It made me come to laugh and weep at the same time. My work took me from a point about 100 miles south of Riga to the north to the very end of the Roumanian line on the Black sea at the south.

I had a chance to see what was going on everywhere, and I mixed with the officers and men of both armies, the Russian and Roumanian. I certainly was impressed with their ideas of war after my two years on the western front. No system, no anything. They have eighty-eight national holidays in a year, and they soldierly fight on a holiday. The kind of fighting they do on the other days is a joke.

In the Russian aviation corps things couldn't have been worse. I found that the men would fly only when the left hand it. They always never passed over behind the German lines. The average Russian aviator aims to fly six hours per month. His pay is two hundred rubles, and after his six hours he takes a good long rest. When I started in to really do some flying, I thought I was a patriot and a fool. In fact, they didn't do any better than the machines do. They let the German machines do what they pleased; they flew all around our lines and were never molested by the Russians.

Socially the Russian aviator is certainly a good fellow. They can all play a good game of poker and put away a lot of drinks. I think they have the Germans beat in these branches. But as fighters they are nil. No patriotism, no enthusiasm and not too much courage. Almost all they did in the aviation corps was to drink champagne, play poker and "66," a German game. The men always say "tomorrow" they are never in a hurry and they don't worry. The Russian has no idea of duty.

Oh, we would be just as well off under German Kultur as we are now. I have often heard things like that. Russia means nothing to the average Russian, although I met a few very few, patriots among them.

From the north I went on down to the Caucasus front, and there I met the German pilot, Nicholas. He is a remarkably able soldier and a patriot. He is fighting for Russia and he is not a coward. He is a very real influence with the soldiers. He is worshipped by his men.

One instance, a thing which happened to me, will show better than a description what the fighting was like here. It happened when I was in the Caucasus front. I was in a line of about 1,500 feet altitude and I went after him. I supposed that I was a fool, but I was a Russian, as he did not pay any attention to me, I proceeded to shoot him down. He retreated, but I was much surprised to find that my comrades did not approve of what I had done. They said:

"We have been here a long time and the Germans have never bothered us. Now they will get mad and come and drop bombs on us and may kill some of us."

I thought that this was a little too steep, so I moved on to another squadron. I found that they were all about the same. Soon after I was proposed for the Cross of St. George, a decoration for bravery, only, which is very rare in Russia. I received it by the czar's order only four days before he abdicated. It was the last one given out by him, and also the last of St. Vladimir, which is the Russian Legion d'Honneur.

## Hindenburg's Fate in Balance

Is in No Position to Survive a Reverse on Any Front

Hindenburg is in no position to survive a reverse on any front. This is the matured view of the Paris Debates as well as the radical French press. The popular and democratic groups in the reichstag have reached the conclusion that no peace of any kind is possible while the militarists dictate a policy to the chancellor.

This is the note of all comment in the Socialist Vorwarts. It has been resurrecting all sorts of maxims to the same effect from the memoirs of Bismarck. Soldiers, he said, do the fighting, while the statesmen do the administering and the negotiating. It is the business of German statesmen to be an eager for peace as are the German soldiers for war.

When the Socialist group was endorsed and then suppressed after a series of meetings, they made another uproar in the reichstag, which has now become, as the Berlin and Spangau press, an explosive that most German shells.

Holding up a butcher boy, several London women certain, like Sunday "boots" recently. They followed a butcher lad from a shop, followed a butcher in a quiet road, and then they themselves, the butcher, pointed on his tray and gave the price according to the ticket pinned on the meat. The butcher, who had an empty tray, a startling story of the "holdup" and hard cash as evidence of the truthfulness of his story.

Smacked of Books Tom—So you stole a kiss from the poetess. How did you like it?

Dice—Miss Sonnet has a marked literary taste.

## Engineering Wonder

Suspension Bridge Built of Wire in British Columbia Has Collapsed

When the suspension bridge that Indians of Hagilet built across the Bulkeley Canyon in Northwestern British Columbia recently collapsed, the world lost one of its engineering wonders. With only the tools of the wilderness, with no knowledge of the laws of stress, vibration, tensile strength and carrying load of various materials, the red men succeeded after two failures in throwing across the canyon at a height of one hundred feet a suspension bridge one hundred and forty-six feet long and ten feet wide.

A little while before the first successful Atlantic cable was laid, an American telegraph company conceived the brilliant scheme of connecting North America by wire with Europe. The plan was to run a line through the wilderness at the extreme end of North America, then over the very narrow straits of the Bering Sea, Strait to land in Siberia. Thence the wire would connect with all the capitals of Europe. The company started work and at immense expense carried a great deal of material into the Canadian wilderness. While the plan was being carried out, the unbelievable happened, the Atlantic cable was successfully placed across the bottom of the ocean. That put an end to work on the overland project, and great piles of wire were abandoned in the wilderness because the prohibitive cost of taking it out.

This wire was the only white bridge material the Indians of Hagilet had in making their remarkable suspension bridge. Their chief reliance was the timber from the surrounding forest. The bridge was to be found in its entire length; the joints were made by dovetailing the logs and fastening them together with strong handmade wooden spikes.

The Klondike rush occurred the bridge helped many gold seekers over the difficult canyon, for it lay on the route that a great many men were taking to the Klondike. Its collapse was owing to neglect, for, although several requests had been made for its repair, nothing had been done. This neglect is probably explained by the fact that the bridge was no longer needed commercially for a long time, and an English firm of bridge builders spanned the canyon with the latest type of modern suspension bridge.

The new structure, one of the highest of its kind on the North American continent, is two hundred and fifty feet long. It is four hundred and fifty-one feet long and five feet wide, and is capable of sustaining a load of one hundred thousand pounds. A photograph shows the two bridges, a striking contrast, now unfortunately lost to view forever.

## More Freedom the Cure

Violence and Outrages Due to Ignorance of the People

If it were possible that a people brought to a more intelligent and arbitrary system could subvert that system without acts of cruelty and blood, they would be wise. We deplore the outrages which accompany revolutions. But the more violent they are, the more necessary. The violence of these outrages will always be proportioned to the ferocity of the ignorance of the people and will be proportioned to the oppression and degradation under which they have been suffering. It is the character of such revolutions that we always see the worst of them at first. Till men have been some time free, they know not the value of their freedom. The final and permanent fruits of liberty are wisdom, morality and mercy. Its immediate effects are often atrocious crimes, conflicting orders, skepticism on points the most mysterious. It is just at this crisis that its enemies love to exhibit it. There is only one way to get rid of this ignorance, and that is freedom. The reader who has got thus far may be tempted to exclaim: "Why not let Russia have her freedom?" But what he has been reading was written by Macaulay in 1825. We admit, however, that it seems to have its application to events in Russia in 1918.

From the New York Evening Post.

## Must Have Meat Coupons

Great surprise was experienced by visitors to London when they were asked by waitresses in restaurants for their meat coupons. It was only then they realized that they had come to a city on rations. One man from the north of England, plunging straight from the train into a restaurant, was asked to order. Ordering some steak, protested that he knew nothing about any rationing scheme, and was asked to order. He could not be served unless he produced his registration card and signed a statement that he had not had a portion of meat in the last 24 hours and that he had not had any cold and hot meat. All who had forgotten to bring their registration cards had to go home.

## A Forecast

Our confident prediction is that the Kaiser won't be in a position much longer to get his little head and God's mixed up without making even his own people laugh in a sad and hollow way—Columbus, (O.) State Journal.

## A nickel in the slot machine flags the trolley car and issues a 5-cent ticket in a Kansas City suburban line.

There are three ways out of a scrape—push out, back out, and keep out.

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It is manufactured tobacco in its purest form.

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## RUSSIA HAS LONG BEEN UNDER THE DOMINATION OF GERMANY

WORK OF UNDERMINING NATIONAL STRUCTURE

Collapse of Nation was the Logical Result of a Campaign that Has Been Going On for Generations, According to Writers Who Have Intimate Knowledge of Conditions

It is a mistaken idea that the collapse of Russian resistance to Germany was a matter of a few months. For fifty years or more the Germans have been undermining the national structure of Russia, and only a miracle could have prevented what has happened. It was the logical result of a campaign that has been going on for generations, and as we look back over the events of recent years it seems that the alliance between Russia and France was an artificial alliance, and that the natural fate of the Russian people was that of subservience to Germany. Russia knows why it is that the French are strangers in the alliance, however honestly Russian statesmen strove to fulfill the terms of the pact. There is a common Russian saying, "The money comes from France, but the brains come from Germany."

In Russia we are watching the last act of the drama; we see military penetration that was going on even before the birth of the German empire. Attention is called to this fact by K. Berzov in New York Sun, who seems to know as much about foreign affairs as his name implies. He quotes from H. Havelock Wilson, general secretary of the national seamen's union, who, speaking at a public meeting at Cardiff, Wales, asked those who had been asked to stand up. One hundred and seventeen men of the 300 present arose. Mr. Wilson then remarked: "You men who are standing have had some experience with German spies. Are you prepared to follow the advice of some of our Labor leaders and shake hands with the pirates? All those who are willing to shake hands with the Germans will remain standing."

Not one of the 117 men remained on his feet.

## Sailors of Britain Hostile to Germans

Members of National Seamen's Union Have No Use for Pirates

The attitude of British sailors with regard to Germany's submarine campaign was shown by a vote taken at the national seamen's union, who, speaking at a public meeting at Cardiff, Wales, asked those who had been asked to stand up. One hundred and seventeen men of the 300 present arose. Mr. Wilson then remarked: "You men who are standing have had some experience with German spies. Are you prepared to follow the advice of some of our Labor leaders and shake hands with the pirates? All those who are willing to shake hands with the Germans will remain standing."

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## To Encourage Yukon Coal Mines

An order in council has been passed suspending for a further period of five years the collection of royalty on coal mines in the Yukon. This step has been taken by the government because it is believed to be in the public interest.

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## ON GUARD

At this time of the year people feel weak, tired, listless, their blood is thin, they have lived indoors and perhaps expended all their mental and bodily energy and they want to know how to renew their energy and stamina, overcome headaches and backaches, have clear eyes, a smooth, ruddy skin, and the exhilaration of real good health tingling thru their body. Good, pure, rich, red blood is the best insurance against all kinds of ailments. It contains more iron than any other food. It is made from Golden Seal, Blood, Black Cherry bark, extracted with glycerine and made into tablets and liquid. Tablets better than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, the old-fashioned herbal remedy, which has had such a fine reputation for fifty years. It contains no alcohol or narcotics. It is made from Golden Seal, Blood, Black Cherry bark, extracted with glycerine and made into tablets and liquid. 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### Tropical Forests

Forested Regions of Amazon River Is the Largest in the World

There are at least two very large forest regions in the tropics. These are the Amazon region of South America and the Indo-Malay region of southeastern Asia and adjacent islands. The forested regions of the Amazon river basin comprising an area of 1,600,000 square miles is the largest in the world. The forested area of Borneo, Sumatra, the Philippine Islands, the Malay Peninsula and Burma is roughly estimated to be not less than 500,000 square miles, or nearly as large as that of the United States. Thus the forested area of these two tropical regions alone comprises more than 2,000,000 square miles. Contrary to the usual opinion, it is claimed that tropical forests are not all composed of hardwoods, fit only for special purposes, but that they have a much larger percentage of soft and medium hard woods which it is quite practicable to develop economically.

### SPRING WEATHER

#### HARD ON BABY

The Canadian spring weather—one day mild and bright; the next raw and blustery—is extremely hard on the baby. Conditions are such that the mother cannot take the little one out for the fresh air so much to be desired. He is confined to the house which is often overheated and badly ventilated. He catches cold; his little stomach and bowels become disordered and the mother soon has a sick baby to look after. To prevent this an occasional dose of Baby's Own Tablets should be given. They regulate the stomach and bowels, thus preventing or curing colds, simple fever, colic or any other of the many minor ailments of childhood. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### Refugees in Silks and Sables

Pathetically Incongruous Figures in the Italian Retreat

Amid all the chaos of the Italian retreat one kept on meeting utterly incongruous figures, for with all the world road worn, gray and dirty, to be clean and well dressed is to be grotesque. Amid this multitude of haggard, unshaven, dead beat males, I noticed two Italian ladies treading delicately over the rough ballast of the railway track. They had naturally brought with them in their flight the most valuable of their possessions, which were of a kind to be more conveniently carried on their persons. Against this gray background of mud and rubbish and a disbanding army, the two graceful figures with their brilliant dresses had been conspicuous in the Rue de la Paix.

Heavy sable furs and muffs almost bowed their shoulders. Each finger had two or three rings that flashed in the light. Round their necks were gold chains hung with pendants. And yet, instead of the air of self-satisfied ostentation that might well have gone with a display so lavish, they were only two pathetically little, frightened, perplexed faces, and an unbecoming gait that did not promise much further progress along that ankle-wrenching railway line—G. Ward Price, in the Century Magazine.



**A Package of Grape-Nuts** teaches food conservation.

**Saves FUEL SUGAR TIME WHEAT AND WASTE**

**SOLD BY GROCERS.**

### Boys' and Girls' Clubs

The Best Means of Teaching Agriculture in a Practical Manner

In Manitoba the boys' and girls' clubs constitute today the largest agricultural organization of the province. In 1917 there was a total membership of more than 15,000, and there is every prospect of the 20,000 mark being reached during 1918. There are now 145 central clubs, each having an average of about thirty members, composed of the most part of rural schools. The local marketing centre is usually the club centre and the place at which the marketing fair is held.

Boys' and girls' clubs afford one of the best means of teaching agriculture in a practical manner, as well as making the life of the farmer more interesting. In Manitoba the clubs are all on contest basis, so that the spirit of competition is appealed to. The rules of the contest really constitute the instruction in the subject, and while boys and girls get their knowledge and experience incidentally, it nevertheless is effectively learned.

The contests include pig raising, calf raising, chicken raising, gardening, seed growing, cooking, canning, sewing, wood-working, weed eradication and essay writing. The principal assistance given by the extension service of the department of agriculture is by way of prepared literature, the organizing, clubs, sending out supplies, giving instruction in the work of the various contests, judging the gardens and seed plots and giving definite directions to the children right on the ground as to the best methods to follow in improving their work. Judges are supplied for all fairs, when further instruction is given along agricultural lines.

Ever since the war broke out the boys and girls have been concentrated on the production end of their work, and they really had two years' start on their elders in the matter of increased food production and conservation.

### WOMEN! IT IS MAGIC! LIFT OUT ANY CORN

Apply a few drops then lift corns or calluses off with fingers—no pain

Just think! You can lift off any corn or callus without pain or soreness.

A Cincinnati man discovered the corn or callus compound and named it freezone. Any druggist will sell a tiny bottle of freezone, like the one shown, for a very little cost. You apply a few drops directly on the tender corn or callus. Instantly the soreness disappears, then shortly you will find the corn or callus so loose that you can lift it right off. Freezone is wonderful. It dries instantly. It doesn't eat away the corn or callus, but shrivels it off without even irritating the surrounding skin. Hard, soft or corns between toes, as well as painful calluses, lift right off. There is no pain before or afterwards. If your druggist hasn't freezone, tell him to order a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house.

### Loans to Stock Raisers

Proves a Great Help to Farmers Towards Getting into Stock Raising Quickly

A great boon to those farmers who, from lack of capital, are unable to get into stock raising as quickly as they would like are the acts of parliament passed by the various legislatures making provision for farmers to obtain live stock on credit or part credit at a low rate of interest. Last year farmers of Alberta were loaned through the government \$300,000 for acquiring cows, while this year double the sum will be available for this purpose. The interest charged is six per cent. A million dollars worth of stock placed in the hands of farmers who are able to look after them, but otherwise would be unable to acquire them will be some help towards greater food production.

The irrigated districts of Southern Alberta, being especially suited for the raising of cattle, by reason of the large crops of fodder that can be grown there, much encouragement is given this industry. Under certain conditions the Canadian Pacific railway also assists buyers of its lands in these districts by advancing live stock to the value of \$1,000 on a cash payment of twenty per cent, credit being given for the balance.

### Man's Steady Progress

Men no longer scratch matches on their trousers, because it leaves a mark. It will occur to the men some day that matches will do the same thing to a wall.

### Getting It Right

Bliggins entertains a good opinion of himself. No, replied Miss Cayenne; his good opinion of himself entertains Mr. Bliggins—Washington Star.

### Ancient Bolsheviki

Athenians Declared It Monstrous to Be Prevented From Doing What They Chose

On a memorable occasion the assembled Athenians declared it monstrous that they should be prevented from doing whatever they chose. No force that existed could restrain them; and they resolved that no duty should restrain them, and that they would be bound by no laws that were not of their own making. In this way the emancipated people of Athens became a tyrant; and their government, the pioneer of European freedom, stands condemned with a terrible unanimity by the wisest of the ancients. They ruined their city by attempting to conduct war by debate in the market place. Like the French republic, they put their successful commanders to death. They treated their dependencies with such injustice that they lost the maritime empire. They plundered the rich until the rich conspired with the public enemy, and the crown prince was guilty by the martyrdom of Socrates—From Lord Acton's Essays.

### CURE COWS' CAKED BAGS

With EGYPTIAN LINIMENT For Sale by all Dealers Douglas & Company, Napanee, Ont.

### Boudoir Secrets

She—You've heard of people's hair turning white in a single night? Her Maid—Yes, miss, but that is not the hair that generally turns when it happens as quickly as that.

I cured a horse of the Mange with MINARD'S LINIMENT. CHRISTOPHER SAUNDERS, Dalhousie.

I cured a horse, badly torn by a pitch fork with MINARD'S LINIMENT. St. Peter's C.B. EDW. LINLIEF.

I cured a horse of a bad swelling by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Bathurst, N.B. THOS. W. PAYNE.

### Protecting the Birds

Birds Are the Greatest Help to the Agriculturist

Mr. Macdormand's bill in the Ontario legislature for the Protection of Insectivorous Birds is as interesting to the bird-lover as it is of importance to the agriculturist. Few people, outside those who have made a special study of the matter, appreciate the great role these little feathered creatures play in the intricate and complex economy of nature, and indeed, in the actual conservation of the life of man upon this planet. It is asserted that an insectivorous bird of any species will eat at least 100 insects a day, some varieties consuming as many as 400.

Mr. Chester A. Reed, of Worcester, Mass., in his very interesting little "Guide to Land Birds East of the Rockies," estimates that the state of Massachusetts has a bird population of about 25,000,000, which requires 2,500,000,000 insects—about 25,000 bushels of them—daily for its sustenance. These figures give some idea of the great assistance, the farmer derives from these busy little grub-eaters, and how necessary it is to attend to their preservation.

Laws can be made to protect the birds from the ravages of man, but there are many other agencies ever at work accompanying their destruction, such as cats and other animals, the elements, accidents, birds of prey and snakes. One fruitful source of "wanton destruction" is found in the depredations of thoughtless school children, both in the killing of the birds themselves and in the robbing of their nests. The best way to overcome this is by educational means; a sympathetic study of bird life would have a humanizing influence upon minds of the pupils, and wean them from their thoughtless, instinctive destruction.

Miller's Worm Powders are complete in themselves. They not only drive worms from the system, but repair the damage that worms cause and so invigorate the constitution that it speedily recovers from the disorders of the digestion that are the result of the work of these parasitic intruders. They do their work thoroughly and strength and soundness follow their use.

### Dangers of the Front

Two Irish women were sympathizing with each other on the terror of the war. One of them said: "Sure and you have heard of the trouble of Denny, my husband?" "Now, what was it?" "Sure he was shot at the abdomen." "Oh, that's too bad. And where is the abdomen?" "I don't know, but it is somewhere at the front."

Minard's Liniment Lumberman's friend.

### Triplex Glass in Aviation

The extensive use of triplex glass in aviation is responsible for a low casualty list. Time and again triplex goggles have saved the eyes of aviators and triplex windows or shields have prevented the pilots from sustaining injuries. Recently an airplane fitted with a triplex window struck a tree at thirty feet from the ground at a speed of ninety miles an hour. It is reported that not a particle of glass was separated from the window by the impact, and the value of this protection to the crew can well be imagined.



### Keeping the Issue Clear

Little Fear of the Democratic Masses Becoming War-weary

A condition of affairs has come about in which the truly democratic elements of the western nations have the most at stake in the outcome of the war. A victory over German imperialism is more than ever essential if a deadly blow is not to be struck at democratic ideals and democratic principles reduced to practice. Even the Berlin Vorwarts, the German Socialist organ, seems to understand that, for it predicts as a result of German territorial and economic conquests at the expense of revolutionary Russia "new threats and desire for revenge, increased armaments and intensified reaction in our country." If autocratic and militaristic Germany literally whips the world, then the world will be regarded as getting what it deserves and will soon be broken to the discipline of the Prussian drillmaster.

In such a struggle as is now forecast, there need be little fear of the democratic masses becoming war-weary before the classes which have been too exclusively, perhaps, in the past, the possessors of worldly comfort and privilege. For democracies will fight the more fiercely for ideals and aspirations rather than for materialistic or imperialistic ends. The grim logic of Hindenburg's still victorious hammer strokes for imperialism is such an uprising of democracy in its own defense as the world has never seen. Yet the issue must be kept crystal clear—From the Springfield Republican.

Minard's Liniment Used by Physicians.

John—So that's your new tie, eh? Why didn't you select such a loud pattern? I didn't select it. My brother did, and he's slightly deaf.

### Not Spain of Old Glories

Presents the Spectacle of Sad Contrast With a Departed Splendor

The Spain of today is not the Spain of your tradition or your imagination. It is remote from being the colorful and romantic domain which was once the mainspring of great adventure and the inspiration of poet and painter. The glories of Velasquez and Cervantes have not been revived in our day.

She presents the spectacle of sad contrast with a departed splendor. Once a treasure house of art and wealth, the haven of mighty armadas, the nerve centre of a far reaching power on land and sea, she finds herself rent with disorder and a tool for Germanic conspiracy.

She has no twentieth century Cortes to recreate her one-time world vision; she lacks a contemporary Caesarian to guide her with the magic of his eloquence or to guide her ship of state with steady hand through the perilous waters of uncertainty. There is not even an up-to-date Don Quixote to tilt at the windmills of discontent fanned by Teutonic hot air.

Life with her is still one plot after another. To a degree greater than existed in the Russia that was, she is like a national bomb factory. Spain always has a pretender in her midst. Worst of all, the ruling classes—that is, the classes that rule today—are hand in glove with a vast, close knit and effective German propaganda, that, aiming at the root of Hispanic economic independence, is subtly reaching out to influence the whole world that thinks, works, buys and sells in Spanish—Isaac F. Marcason, in the Saturday Evening Post.

A Cure for Rheumatism—A painful and persistent form of rheumatism is caused by impurities in the blood, the result of defective action of the liver and kidneys. The blood becomes tainted by the introduction of uric acid, which causes much pain in the tissues and in the joints. Farnley's Vegetable Pills are known to have effected many remarkable cures, and their use is strongly recommended. A trial of them will convince anyone of their value.

### A Mistaken Primrose

The Primrose League will take out a new lease now that women have the vote, for it is essentially a woman's show. It is quite a mistake, however, to suppose that the primrose was or ever had been Lord Beaconsfield's favorite flower. It was, as a matter of fact, the favorite flower of the late Prince Consort, and when Lord Beaconsfield died Queen Victoria said: "Which of the two is the best man?" "You should say the better man." "No, I shouldn't. I understand one of them is the groom."



### Men in Training

Fighting isn't the only duty of a soldier, and exposure to bullets is not as serious as exposure to all kinds of weather and dampness.

Rheumatic aches, sore and stiff muscles, strains and sprains, chilblains and neuritis, all are enemies of the soldier, and the relief for all these pains and aches is Sloan's Liniment. Clean and convenient to carry or use; does not stain, and penetrates without rubbing. Generous sized bottles, at all druggists.

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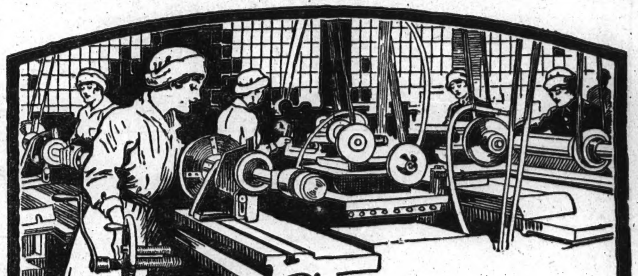
### France Wins Admiration

Every day that passes adds to American admiration for France. Bolso's death sentence stands. Perhaps after we have suffered as France has suffered we shall be brave enough to deal without our Bolos and Bolosists as France does with hers. But what a pity we cannot learn by other's experience! What a pity we do not put our Bolos and Bolosists out of business before they do us harm!—New York Herald.

Corns are caused by the pressure of tight boots, but no one need be troubled with them long when so simple a remedy as Holloway's Corn Cure is available.

### The Corrector Corrected

"Which of the two is the best man?" "You should say the better man." "No, I shouldn't. I understand one of them is the groom."



## Continuous and monotonous Work - most trying on the Nerves

DOING the same thing, in the same way, day after day and week after week, means destruction to the nerve cells and collapse of the nervous system of the human body.

Whether in the munition factory or in the home, in the store or in the office, it is monotony that kills. And it is because woman's work is more often monotonous than men's that so many women suffer from nervous exhaustion and prostration, nervous headaches, neuralgic pains and general run-down condition of the body.

It is easy for the doctor to say you must have change and rest, but the expense of living is so great at this time that few can afford to follow such advice.

But there is restoration and health awaiting you in the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This great restorative treatment cures by supplying the elements which Nature

uses in the formation of new, rich blood and the creation of new nerve force.

If you are a regular reader of this paper you will find cures reported almost daily, and no matter where you live you will find people who will tell you with enthusiasm of the benefits obtained by using this great food cure.

## Dr. Chase's Nerve Food

50 cents a box—do not pay more—at all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto. On every box of the genuine you will find the portrait and signature of Dr. W. Chase, M.D., the famous Receipt Book author.

## Green Vegetables

Now you ladies do not forget that we have arriving every week all the green vegetables that are in season.

<b>Roots</b> Asparagus, Lettuce, Onions and Celery, Rhubarb Roots Victoria <b>6 for 25c</b>	<b>Maple Syrup</b> We now have the pure Maple Syrup from this year's in both quart and half-gallon cans. <b>quart .85</b> <b>half-gal \$1.60</b>	<b>Apples</b> Apples are very scarce and therefore hard to procure at reasonable prices. We have a few cases of No. 1 Apples yet, come, buy while they last. <b>No. 1 case \$3.50</b> (BEN DAVIS)
<b>Tea</b> There is a further tax of 10 cts per lb put on all Teas. We will continue to sell out our present stock at the old prices so as to give our patrons the same due consideration as we have done in the past. We have a quantity of tea that we took over in the Dickson deal. <b>pound 45c</b>	<b>Potatoes</b> We have shipped in a large quantity of good sound potatoes, suitable either for table use or seed. <b>bushel \$1.50</b>	<b>Tobaccos</b> Tobaccos and cigarettes have had a heavy tax levied on them and naturally the manufacturers have advanced the prices. We carry a full assortment line of all tobaccos and cigarettes, all your favorites always in stock.
<b>Marmalade</b> Empress brand of Marmalade in 2 lb tins. <b>45c</b>	<b>Lemons &amp; Oranges</b> Sometimes we are able to procure Lemons and Oranges while at other times when we are not so fortunate. Now we have them. <b>Lemons doz 50c up</b> <b>Oranges doz 60c up</b>	<b>Mince Meat</b> The genuine and celebrated Wethy's Mince Meat. <b>4 lb tins \$1.00</b>

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### Seeding Well Under Way.

Seeding of oats is well under way. Most of the wheat is up. Several farmers reporting a growth of five inches. A good shower of rain would be welcome.



"Come, Willie! Jump in the tub and take your bath."  
 "Aw, ma. I'm afraid of submarines."

**His Aim in Life**  
 An old lady, walking in a field, came across a small boy watching his companion playing football.  
 "Well, my little fellow," said the old lady kindly, "why aren't you playing football with the other boys?"  
 "The captain chucked me out for miffing a goal," replied the small boy sadly.  
 "Really? Then, if they had treated me like that, I wouldn't stand watching them while they played."  
 "I ain't watching them, I'm waiting till the game's over, an' then I'll smash the captain," replied the small boy savagely.

### JARROW

John Therou was laid up a few days last week with the toothache.

Will Lockhart now has his house furnished, and his mother is keeping house for him.

Mr. and Mrs. George Therou spent Sunday at the M. T. Knudson home southeast of Jarow.

Mr. and Mrs. John Therou are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter at the Wainwright Hospital.

Harold Whidden has about completed his new barn 28x66. This will be the finest barn in the district.

H. S. Denison had a narrow escape from getting crushed by his tractor. He was caught between the drawbar of the tractor and a brush harrow which was behind. He was quite fortunate in receiving only a gash in one leg.

A farewell party was held at the J. M. Moore home last Saturday evening in honor of their son Ray who has enlisted with the Artillery. Those present spent a very pleasant evening and all joined in wishing Ray the best of luck and a safe return.

### Are You in a Position to do Some Breaking?

H. W. Scott, Agricultural Agent, Greater Production, Sedgewick, Alta. would like if any who are in a position to do breaking with either horses or a tractor would communicate with him, and at the same time state whether or not they will be willing to move to some other district providing the work would last a sufficient time to make it worth while.

Mr. Scott would also like if those who wish to get breaking done and have not the power of their own or cannot make satisfactory arrangements in their immediate vicinity to have the work done will communicate with him, as he is in touch with considerable extra power at the present time. In writing, state the amount you wish broken, whether you prefer the work done with horses or a tractor, and also whether the land is open or scrubby.

### Red Cross Thanks.

Edmonton, April, 22nd 1918.  
 Mrs. G. A. Tripp,  
 Aux. 506, Irma, Alta.  
 Dear Mrs. Tripp,

Many thanks for your very nice letter enclosing the handsome contribution from your Auxiliary of \$1,215.00. Kindly express to the members of the U.F.W.A. our sincere thanks for this more than welcome contribution.

We note what you say about taking up the work with renewed energy and trust that you will have great success.

With kind regards, I am,  
 Very sincerely,  
 J. Ponton,  
 Honorary-Secretary

### Unloading Tractors.

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